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# CHARGE OF BAD FAITH

## Against Pacific Steam Navigation Company

## MADE BY COLOMBIA

## VIOLATED CONTRACT TO CARRY GOVERNMENT TROOPS.

## British Warships Sent to Uphold the Company in Its Opposition— Situation is Serious.

PANAMA, Colombia, August 19.—The British cruiser Phaeton, as called to the Associated Press yesterday, left hurriedly on Saturday and it was believed that she had sailed for Buena Ventura in the department of Cauca. Inquiries made by the correspondent of the Associated Press regarding the warship's sailing show that serious international complications may arise at Buena Ventura, where the Colombian authorities have been endeavoring to compel the agents of the British steamer Ecuador, owned by the Pacific Steam Navigation Company of Liverpool, to transport troops to the isthmus. It was at the request of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company that the Phaeton left Panama for Buena Ventura, where the Colombian government has assembled 2,000 troops, under General Velasco, intended to reinforce the army in this vicinity. The government officials at Buena Ventura threatened to compel the steamer Ecuador, which was at that port, to transport the reinforcements to Panama. The agents of the line, however, refused to embark the troops and appealed to the presence of the British warship here, who in turn placed the matter before the British consul, with the result that the Phaeton was sent to Buena Ventura to protect British interests.

### Government is Indignant.

The action of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company in refusing to transport the troops has caused indignation in Colombian government circles. A high official who was interviewed on the subject said that a contract was made by the government in 1879 with the Pacific Steam Navigation Company by which the government granted the company a concession of military privileges and other exemptions from the national government. The importation free of duty of the company's military stores, supplies and any other exemptions and privileges granted to other companies at any time. The Colombian government, it was added, had since the contract was signed, paid the Pacific Steam Navigation Company over \$200,000 in subsidies, in consideration of the company's agreement to transport Colombian civil and military stores, supplies, prisoners, mails and soldiers at special rates. There is no clause in the contract, he was further asserted, providing that during a revolutionary war the obligation of the company to transport troops ceased to be effective.

### May Yield to Force.

In conclusion, the high official of the Colombian government referred to, said that the present refusal of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company to transport Colombian troops were sustained by the presence of a British warship at Buena Ventura, but nevertheless it is a clear violation of the contract between the Colombian government and the steamship company, made in good faith by the government, which has faithfully adhered to its agreements.

In government circles it is claimed that the non-arrival of the reinforcements of troops from Buena Ventura will prolong the revolution on the isthmus and cause unnecessary bloodshed, and that, consequently, the government of Colombia has ground to claim damages from the Pacific Steam Navigation Company. There is no doubt that the government will bring suit against the company. The company's attorneys, already left Panama for Bogotá, the capital, to present and sustain the government's claim, which, according to the terms of the contract, must be decided by the Colombian courts.

## OLD HOME WEEK CELEBRATION.

## Successful Affair at Clinton, N. Y., Despite Gloomy Weather.

UTICA, N. Y., August 19.—The first of the old home week celebrations in this county was held at Clinton today and has been a successful one notwithstanding the very gloomy weather. The program included the reading of letters of regret from ex-President Cleveland, Secretary of War Root, Assistant Secretary Sanger and a number of notable men in all sections of the county. There were addresses, poems, music and papers, concerning pioneer days. Hundreds of former residents were in attendance, and the celebration has been a success. Several other towns in this county will observe tomorrow and the day after.

## FISHING CANNERIES SHUT DOWN

## Only Three Now Running at Victoria, B. C.

VICTORIA, B. C., August 19.—With the exception of three canneries which have securing licenses, all the canneries in the north have discontinued operations. The packs so far reported are: Drainers Kimsout and Namu canneries, 12,300 cases; Mr. Lord's British Columbia and North Pacific canneries, 10,000 cases; 37,300; Naas harbor and Mill bay, 10,000; Inverness, 16,300; and Wallace Brothers, 10,000 cases. Probably the smallest pack was that of the Bellocqua cannery, which had 2,500 cases.

## PETER POWER IN JAIL.

## Plaintiff in Merger Suit Held for Contempt of Court.

NEW YORK, August 19.—Peter Power, who was named as plaintiff in a suit brought to prevent the turning over of the stock of the Northern Pacific railroad to the Northern Securities Company, arrived here today from Montreal. He was accompanied by George Alfred Lamb, the attorney in the suit against the Northern Securities Company. Power was sentenced to thirty days imprisonment recently for contempt of court in refusing to obey a subpoena ordering him to appear in court in the proceedings begun in his name. Power surrendered himself to United States Marshal Menkel. The marshal served Judge Laconia's order and took Power to the Ludlow street jail.

## Torpedo Boats at Rockport.

ROCKPORT, Mass., August 19.—The flotilla of seven torpedo boats which passed Paque Island last night, bound east, arrived at Rockport today, after a fine run through Vineyard Sound. They came to join the north Atlantic squadron, at anchor off Rockport.

No. 15,438.

# WRECKED CHINESE CRUISER

## Report of the Explosion Received at Navy Department.

The Navy Department has received information concerning the explosion which completely wrecked the Chinese cruiser Kai-Chih on June 22 last, while the ship was lying at her station off Nanking. The explosion occurred at 12:35 p.m. on the day mentioned. The vessel was blown to pieces and all of the officers and men, about 130 in all, were lost, with the exception of a seaman, who was picked up, slightly wounded. The jar of the explosion was felt on board the United States steamship Helena, which was lying about half a mile distant from the unfortunate Chinese craft. The report was described as a sharp tearing sound, resembling a gun fired with smokeless powder close by, and afterward, it is stated, a great height, the air being filled with broken and burning fragments of the ship, as well as shells and scraps of metal. The cause of the explosion could not be definitely ascertained, but it was believed that either the careless handling of ammunition or to want of care in using lights in or near the magazine. The explosion killed 123 of the crew, and 10 officers who witnessed the explosion to believe that high explosives in some form were stored in the magazine. The ship was a 2,100-ton cruiser, 230 by 36 feet, and was built in 1882.

## ARMY MANEUVERS.

## President to Review the Troops at Fort Riley.

The War Department has in course of preparation an order for the army maneuvers to take place at Fort Riley, Kan., the latter part of September. The maneuvers will be timed to suit the President, who will review the troops that participate in them. Several thousand regular and volunteer soldiers will appear in the maneuvers, including two regiments of United States Infantry, one regiment of United States Cavalry, and the militia organizations of Kansas and Nebraska.

## JAPANESE MINISTER.

## Mr. Takahira's Statement as to His Government's Attitude.

The Japanese minister, Mr. Takahira, who is in town for a few days, coming back from his summer place, said today when asked as to the attitude of the Japanese government in regard to the Panama Canal and Wake Island, so much written about lately, that the Japanese government has no intention to claim the sovereignty over these islands, and that when the United States government made certain representations in relation to the Panama Canal in January, 1901, the Japanese government at once officially declared that the Japanese government would not make any claim over the islands. Mr. Takahira further said that if the United States government will send a war vessel to these islands, as reported in the newspapers, Japan will not object, but the Japanese will be given to Japanese subjects, who may be found there, as long as they are engaged in peaceful occupations. As stated by the Japanese minister, if the Japanese minister, it can be added from authoritative government sources that the most satisfactory feeling exists between the American and Japanese officials, and the good faith of each, and the harmonious adjustment of the question relating to Marcus Island.

## NEGRO RAPIST IDENTIFIED.

## Law Will Be Allowed to Take Its Course.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE EVENING STAR. RICHMOND, Va., August 19.—Burrill Johnson, the negro who on Saturday assaulted, robbed and nearly murdered Mrs. Addie Clows near Quilston, has been positively identified by his victim. The first reports received in this city were to the effect that the woman was dead, but this was incorrect. The man was taken to the woman's room today by a sheriff and two deputies, and in the presence of the husband was fully identified. The Clows came to Virginia only recently from North Dakota. The man is in jail and the law will be allowed to take its course. There is no doubt but that the man will get the death penalty.

## Naval Movements.

Arrived—Nina at Boston, New York at Yokohama, New Orleans at Chefoo, Nashville at Brindisi, and the torpedo boat at Rockport, Mass., to join Admiral Higginson's defending squadron in the maneuvers which begin tomorrow.

## Personal Mention.

Governor N. O. Murphy of Arizona and Mr. C. F. McKim of New York are at the Arlington. Mr. G. D. Burgess of Jefferson City, Mo., and Mr. Allen Hazen of New York are at the New Willard. Mr. Homer Adams of Allentown, Pa., and Mr. F. C. Hoffman of Wheeling, W. Va., are at the Raleigh.

## To Surrender Kroeger.

The State Department has issued a warrant for the surrender to the Prussian authorities of Arnold Kroeger, a former post office employee of Essen, charged with the embezzlement of 2,000 marks, and now held under arrest at San Francisco.

## Cholera in Egypt.

Consul Smith at Cairo, Egypt, today called the State Department as follows: "No cholera Port Said or Suez, two cases Alexandria; three new Cairo; Assiout province not seriously affected; 27 fresh cases yesterday; Minieh 43, Charkieh 19."

## Four Deaths by Tornado at Rolla, N.D.

GRAND FORKS, N. D., August 19.—Reports from Rolla, said that four deaths occurred eight miles east of there, as a result of a tornado. The house of a settler whose name is unknown was blown down and his wife and three children were killed.

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# A REPUBLICAN BOSS

## One is Wanted in New Jersey.

## FACTIONAL FIGHTS

## THE GOVERNORSHIP AND TWO SENATORSHIPS INVOLVED.

## Representative Loudenslager Won His Nomination, but Fears Knifing at the Polls.

SPECIAL FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

CAMDEN, N. J., August 19.—In republican politics in New Jersey the absorbing question is who shall be the republican boss of the state to succeed the late Senator Sewell. It is assumed, of course, that somebody must be boss. All other states have their bosses. The most shining example is furnished by Pennsylvania, where Senator Quay continues to be the undisputed ruler of the republican party. New York has her Platt, Ohio has her Hanna and Indiana her Fairbanks, Illinois her Cullom and so on.

When Senator Sewell died a number of gentlemen stepped forward, and, as modestly as they could, in the circumstances, suggested themselves as his likely successor. That was some time ago, but up to this time the successorship has not been determined and a fight is progressing which has compelled the republican party to select at this time when all other conditions appear to be so favorable for the republican party. The country, their prospects of success, and the republican party, the fight within their own party. Senator Sewell was an ideal boss. He ruled with a rod of iron. No one overruled his judgment for a moment, and no one asserted his own judgment upon material questions without consulting the senator. Some of the men who are contending for his shoes today would hardly have dared to admit that they breathed the life of Sewell. It is almost enough to make the old boss tremble to see his grave to see the scramble that is going on for the rod and scepter which he laid down.

### Involved in the Fight.

One reason why so much interest attaches to the bossship, aside from the intrinsic value of the position, is the fact that the governorship and two United States senatorships are also bound up in the fight. The boss of New Jersey, if he establishes his position upon the old basis, will wield the power that Senator Sewell wielded. He will have a great deal to say about these offices. The republicans of the state already are divided into factions, with the possibility that a third faction may enter the field. On the one hand are Governor Murphy, Representative Fowler, E. C. Stokes and David L. Baird. On the other hand are Senator Keane and Mr. Barber. Hovering in the offing is ex-Attorney General Griggs, who may rally a faction of his own and get into the fight. Mr. Griggs is a man of extraordinary political sagacity and is entertaining senatorial ambitions. He finds it safer for the present, it is said, to keep out of the factional struggle, but he may be compelled later to assert himself and raise his own standard either in connection with one of the other factions or against them both. It is one of the most cold-blooded games of politics now being played in America which these Jerseymen are playing. It is a case absolutely of every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost. Probably not one of them would hesitate for a moment to cut the throat, politically, of his next neighbor, or, which is better, to cut the throat of the republicans of the state.

### Play With High Cards.

They play the game with high cards in Jersey. All of these would-be bosses are rich men and they are backed by interests infinitely wealthier. In Jersey politics and business are so closely connected that politics is a business of itself. No man engages in politics who cannot rally large business interests to his support. This is especially true in the case of the republicans. The republicans are absolutely a part of the establishment of the elective franchise. It is no more than a matter of course, and the newcomer must have his own share in the political-commercial combination. In New Jersey the voter is a unit to be used in making up a total which is to register the will of the majority on the machine. The voter may have all kinds of high-sounding ideas about the sacredness of the ballot and the duty of the citizen. The boss has his own peculiar training about the use of the voter. The system applies to the democracy as well as to the republican party.

### congressional situation in New Jersey

is interesting. New Jersey received an increase of two representatives in Congress under the national apportionment. The state was pretty thoroughly gerrymandered by the republican legislature, but with the best that could be done a couple of districts were left for the democrats. These are the two Jersey City districts.

### The attention of the state managers is

being directed to these districts. On the one hand, the managers are trying to get the vote of the new districts showed a good republican majority, but the 1900 vote was specially high. That would be considered ample when compared with the average congressional plurality throughout the country. But Mr. Loudenslager has on his hands one of the most beautiful factional fights that this campaign presents. It began with the fight for the nomination, and the truth were told, probably had something to do with the big contest for the bossship of the state. After a long and distinguished career in the House of Representatives, during which he had rendered his district conspicuous service, Mr. Loudenslager received an intimation from some of the managers that he should be dropped for a while, but he knew a thing or two about Jersey politics himself. He had been a faithful worker in the great machine and knew something of its operations.

### Loudenslager's District.

Another district which is causing the state managers some solicitude is "Harry" Loudenslager's district, which takes in Camden. In 1898 he had a plurality of 9,000, but the new apportionment took out a couple of republican counties, which would reduce that plurality to approximately 5,000. That would be considered ample when compared with the average congressional plurality throughout the country.

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# MUCH MONEY SPENT

## All Records Broken by Last Session of Congress.

## BILLION-DOLLAR MARK

## AUTHORIZATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS TAKEN TOGETHER.

## Official Statement From Appropriations Committees of Senate and House—New Officers.

What the hardest-working Congress in the history of the country did at its first session is made known in full today through the publication of a most interesting compilation of the numerous and varied appropriation acts passed at the last session. The document, which is decidedly a bulky one, has been in the course of preparation under the personal direction of Mr. Thomas P. Cleave and Mr. James C. Courts, clerks, respectively, to the appropriations committees of the Senate and House.

### The amount this one session of Congress

actually appropriated, taken together with the amount which it authorized for public work contracts, reaches the enormous figure of \$1,063,353,961.55. When these two items are separated the figures stand as follows: Amount actually appropriated, \$809,024,496.55; amount of public work authorized to be contracted for, \$254,329,465.00. These contracts include \$21,000,000 for additional ships for the navy and for permanent improvements of and increased facilities at certain navy yards; \$15,043,650 for additions to old public buildings and construction of new public buildings in various parts of the country; \$38,330,100 for improvement of rivers and harbors; \$3,900,000 for reconstruction for old and new buildings at the Military Academy at West Point, and \$10,000,000 for the construction of an isthmian canal.

### New Offices Created.

The new offices and employments of a civilian character, specifically authorized number 6,386, with compensation for the year of \$6,343,505; and those abolished or omitted aggregate 1,165, at an annual pay of \$1,280,080.50; a net increase of 5,221, at a yearly cost of \$5,063,424.50. In addition to the new civilian employments, the volume also exhibits an increase of 65 in the military establishment, at an annual cost of \$12,308, and 300 officers (including 255 additional midshipmen, together with 3,900 seamen in the military establishment, and 750 additional men in the Marine Corps, with total yearly pay of \$1,343,777.30.

### And the increase in civilian employments

24 are for the Library of Congress; 7 for the State Department; 33 for the Navy Department; 175 for the Treasury Department; 32 for the Post Office Department, including 25 on account of the rural free delivery service; 70 for the Department of Agriculture, including 46 school teachers, 22 policemen and 7 firemen, for the government of the District of Columbia; 50 lighthouse keepers; 11 for the coast survey; 22 for the diplomatic consular service, and 4,303 for the postal service, including 118 assistant postmasters, 1,000 letter carriers, 1,000 post office clerks, and 1,000 rural free delivery clerks. Of the net total 5,221 civilian offices and employments authorized, 921 are outside of the post office service.

### Increases in Salaries.

The number of salaries increased is 725, at an annual cost of \$118,576.10; and the number reduced is sixteen, in the total annual sum of \$13,120, a net increase of 709, at a cost for the year of \$105,456.10, of which number 481 are the cadets at the Military Academy, who are given an increased allowance of \$80.50 each. Thirty-one are consuls and consular clerks, sixty-four are officers of the revenue cutter service, whose pay is made equal to the similar officers of the navy, and thirty-two are in the saving service, and thirty-two, amounting to \$35,000 annually, are in the Department of Agriculture.

### Comparison With Last Year.

A comparison of the total appropriations made at the last session of Congress for 1902, \$60,524,496.55, with those of the previous session of the Fifty-sixth Congress, for 1903, \$730,338,575.30, shows an increase of \$70,253,920.50. In this amount are included increased appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, \$62,540; for the diplomatic, District of Columbia, \$1,000; for the coast and geodetic survey, \$1,700; for the military academy, \$1,654,670.74; for the postal service, \$14,736.18; for the coast and geodetic survey, \$1,000; for the revenue cutter service, \$1,000; for the saving service, \$1,000; for the Department of Agriculture, \$1,000.

### How the Money Was Spent.

Agriculture, \$5,208,960; army, \$91,730.13; diplomatic, \$1,057,925.68; District of Columbia, \$5,544,497; fortification, \$7,288.955; Indian, \$8,986,028.10; legislative, \$25,368,681.50; military academy, \$1,654,670.74; naval, \$78,500.00; pension, \$13,822,240.00; post office, \$13,418,087.70; river and harbor, \$37,771,442; sundry civil, \$80,163,350.13; deficiencies, \$23,000,007.82; miscellaneous, \$2,227,785.18; for the coast and geodetic survey, \$1,000; for the revenue cutter service, \$1,000; for the saving service, \$1,000; for the Department of Agriculture, \$1,000.

### Dr. Lung to Accompany President.

Dr. G. A. Lung of the navy has been detailed by Surgeon General Rixey to accompany President Roosevelt on his trips through New England and the west this fall. It is customary to detail a naval officer to accompany the President on his trips to this character, and it being impossible for Surgeon General Rixey, the regular White House physician, or Dr. Urie, the assistant surgeon general, to leave Washington at this time, Dr. Lung was selected. Dr. Lung is considered a very bright and capable physician and ranks high in the service. He distinguished himself during the march of the allied forces to Pekin.

### New Chinese Secretary.

Mr. Chung, secretary interpreter of the Chinese legation, and Mr. Ou, second secretary of legation, called at the State Department today in company with Mr. Tseng, the new first secretary of legation, who recently arrived from London, to present the latter to Acting Secretary of State Ade and other officials of the department.

### Naval Orders.

Lieut. R. E. Coontz has been detached from the Boston and ordered to the Adams. Chief Engineer F. O. Maxson, from Olangoa to Cavite, P. I. Passed Assistant Surgeon E. O. Huntington, granted three months' leave of absence.

# RAILROADS AT ODDS.

## Armed Men Guard Prospective Crossing at Crowder, I. T.

## South McAlester, I. T., August 19.—There is trouble between the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad and the new Fort Smith and Western, just completed from Fort Smith, Ark., to Crowder City, I. T. The former has drawn up a very rigid right of way agreement and insists that the Fort Smith road sign it before cutting the crossing at Crowder. All efforts to adjust the difference have failed, and an armed crew, under personal charge of Superintendent Sullivan, keeps guard over the proposed crossing night and day.

## MRS. RODRIGUEZ EXPELLED.

## Wife of Former Prime Minister of Venezuela.

Correspondence of the Associated Press. PORT OF SPAIN, August 19.—Mrs. Zolito Bello Rodriguez, the wife of former President Andrade's prime minister, and her four children arrived here recently on a steamer of the Royal Mail Steamship Company, having been expelled from Venezuelan territory by order of President Castro. She was compelled to abandon her home and family and leave the island of Venezuela forty-eight hours. Hitherto the governments of Venezuela have always regarded women as neutral and have never held them responsible for the acts of their husbands.

## HO YOW ON VACATION.

## Chinese Consul General at San Francisco Sends Out Notice.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 19.—Ho Yow, consul general for China at the port of San Francisco, has sent out a formal notice that he is about to take an extended leave of absence. He does not indicate that he intends returning to this coast. He is heavily interested in commercial enterprises, which will occupy him for two years or more, and he expects at that time to add to his portfolio a number of new enterprises, which will occupy him for two years or more, and he expects at that time to add to his portfolio a number of new enterprises, which will occupy him for two years or more.

## BOER GENERALS IN HOLLAND.

## Received a Hearty Welcome in Rotterdam and The Hague.

ROTTERDAM, August 19.—De Wet, Delarey and Botha, the Boer generals, and their party landed here this morning. They were given a hearty welcome by the municipal authorities and representatives of Boer associations. Many ladies presented bouquets to the generals' wives. The ships in the harbor displayed their flags. The party proceeded to The Hague, where they were received by the Boer associations. The Boer generals, including De Wet, Delarey and Botha, had a public reception was accorded to the Boer generals on their arrival here today from Rotterdam. General Botha, in a speech, paid a tribute to their heroic deeds. General Botha, expressing the appreciation of the Boer officers at the warmth of the reception, and referring to the Boer generals, which it had been to them to be consoling and cheering, and referring to the Boer generals, which it had been to them to be consoling and cheering, and referring to the Boer generals, which it had been to them to be consoling and cheering.

## FIVE BURN TO DEATH.

## Tenement House Fire at 35 Essex Street, New York.

NEW YORK, August 19.—Something exploded in a furniture store on the ground floor of a double tenement at No. 35 Essex street, and before the tenants could recover from their surprise the building was a mass of flames. The fire obtained a frightful headway, which the firemen had to fight while the work of rescue was going on, and before the flames were under control two women and three children had been burned to death and a man and a woman carried to Gouverneur Hospital suffering painful injuries. Many others were badly burned. In addition to the three children burned, another was reported missing. One of the dead bodies was believed to be that of Mrs. Hannah Balothin and the other that of Mrs. Joseph Knott, but both were so badly burned that they were not recognizable. The three dead children were believed to be those of Nathan Balothin, who reported to the police that his four little ones, Moses, Julius, Louis and Sallie, respectively three, five, four and two years of age, were missing. The bodies of the three children were found in the room where they were sleeping. The bodies of the three children were found in the room where they were sleeping. The bodies of the three children were found in the room where they were sleeping.

## THREATENED LYNCHING IN OHIO

## Assault of Two Old Ladies Besieged by Mob.

JEFFERSON, Ohio, August 19.—Because it is believed that John Grooms, colored, assaulted two old ladies, Harriet and Sabrina Hopkins, last night, and surrounded the jail this morning and there is danger of lynching. Grooms is alleged to have assaulted and nearly killed the women. He is said to have chewed an ear off one and torn the flesh from the arm of the other with his teeth. The women identified Grooms as the assailant, and his hat and part of his clothing were found in the Hopkins home. Some of the women in the crowd are hysterical, and are inciting the men to take the law into their hands.

## COMMERCIAL CONGRESS OPENS.

## Western Association With Purpose to Influence Legislation.

ST. PAUL, Minn., August 19.—The Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress was called to order here today, presiding by President John Henry Smith of St. Paul, Minn. Representatives of the entire west were present. In outlining the work of the congress for the present session President Smith said: "The object of the trans-Mississippi congress is to crystallize the opinions of the western country in regard to the matters of national legislation and to bring them before congress in such a manner as to effect the greatest good."

## Passengers Hear of Death of the Fairs From Nantucket.

## NEW YORK, August 19.—The steamer Yorkville, bound for Nantucket, today from Bremen, came to wireless communication with the Nantucket station at 9 o'clock last night, when the news of the tragic death of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fair was imparted to Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr. Mrs. Vanderbilt was the sister of Mr. Fair. The Duchess of Marlborough, Mr. Vanderbilt's sister, and their mother, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, and Mr. Belmont were also among the passengers on the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

## BLACKSMITHS IN CONVENTION.

## Tenth Annual Meeting Begins in Chicago Today.

CHICAGO, August 19.—More than 250 railroad blacksmiths of the United States, Canada and Mexico have arrived to participate in the tenth annual convention of the National Railroad Master Blacksmiths' Association, which convenes here today. W. P. Salvage of Palestine, Tex., is the president of the association and A. L. Goodrich of Lima, Ohio, is secretary. At the opening meeting, which began today, several subjects will be brought up for the betterment of the association and the members.

## SCHWAB STARTS FOR EUROPE.

## His Private Car Left Pittsburgh This Morning.

PITTSBURGH, August 19.—The private car Loretta, belonging to Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States steel corporation, was attached to the day express, which left for the east this morning. No information could be obtained from the attendants of the car, but it was said that Mr. Schwab and party would board the car at Cresson, Pa., for New York and would sail for Europe tomorrow.

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# FIGHT FOR CONTROL

## Colorado Fuel and Iron in the Courts.

## J. W. GATES PLAINTIFF

## STILL CLAIMS TO HAVE MAJORITY OF STOCK.

THE OSGOOD FACTION, on the other Hand, Claims to Control a Majority. DENVER, Colo., August 19.—The legal battle for control of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company was resumed this morning in the federal court, Judge Byner hearing further arguments on the application of John W. Gates and his friends for an injunction to restrain the officers of the company, headed by J. C. Osgood as chairman of the board of directors, from interfering in any way with